



# *Proclamation* *Presented*

## **In Recognition of the 2014 Disabled American Veterans Convention**

**WHEREAS, the Disabled American Veterans (DAV)** is a non-government agency totally funded by membership dues and voluntary contributions from the public; and

**WHEREAS, the Disabled American Veterans** was formed in 1920 and chartered by Congress in 1932, representing more than 2.1 million veterans with disabilities as well as their families and survivors, helping them build better lives through a nationwide network of free services; and

**WHEREAS, the Disabled American Veterans** reminds us that many of the brave men and women who served our nation in the Armed Forces have sustained injuries that changed their lives; and

**WHEREAS, the Disabled American Veterans** underlines that disabled veterans, who deserve our honor and support, struggle daily with personal challenges and the complexities of securing benefits and services for themselves and their families; and

**WHEREAS, the Disabled American Veterans** highlights that the DAV Department of Hawai'i and DAV Auxiliary Hawai'i present their 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual Convention from June 6 to 7, 2014, at the Pagoda Hotel in Honolulu; and

**WHEREAS, the Disabled American Veterans** emphasizes that its 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual Convention, which includes participation by DAV National Commander Joseph W. Johnson, DAV Auxiliary National Commander Susan K. Miller, and delegates from all islands, will further ensure that Hawai'i's disabled veterans receive the assistance and benefits they deserve;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor** for the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim June 1-7, 2014, as

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in Hawai'i, and ask all citizens of the Aloha State to join us in honoring our nation's military heroes, increasing awareness of the daily challenges they face, and extending appreciation to the DAV for providing a wide range of valuable services in our community.

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-seventh day of May 2014.

  
**NEIL ABERCROMBIE**  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

  
**SHAN S. TSUTSUI**  
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i